

1 Becton Drive  
Franklin Lakes, New Jersey 07417  
Tel: 201-847-6802  
Fax: 201-848-5337  
mony\_ghose@bd.com



Helping all people  
live healthy lives

## Fax

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 07 2006

Attention: Examiner Laura A. Bouchelle  
Company: United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Fax number: (571) 273-8300  
From: Mony R. Ghose  
Date: July7, 2006

Number of Pages (including this cover): 9

If you do not receive all of the pages, please call: Lorraine Kowalchuk 201- 847-6455

Applicant:	Glade H. Howell et al.	Conf. No.:	9525
Serial No.:	10/790,275	Art Unit:	3763
Filing Date:	March 1, 2004	Examiner:	Laura A. Bouchelle
For:	Catheter and method of making a catheter		

The following documents are attached to this facsimile:

1. Response to Office Action mailed April 7, 2006; and
2. Certificate of Facsimile Transmission

### Confidential

The pages accompanying this transmission contain or may contain information from BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company) which is confidential, proprietary and/or legally privileged. The information is intended only for the use of the individual or entity named on this transmission sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any disclosure, copying, distribution or taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this transmission is strictly prohibited, and the pages received by you are to be destroyed immediately. In this regard, please notify the sender of this transmission that you have received the transmission in error and have destroyed the pages sent.

If you do not receive all of the pages, please call as soon as possible, via direct fax line indicated above or by telephone to the sender indicated above.

Becton, Dickinson and Company

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 07 2006

PATENT

Docket No. P-5401C1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Glade H. Howell et al. Conf #: 9525  
Serial No.: 10/790,275 Art Unit: 3763  
Filing Date: March 1, 2004 Examiner: Laura A. Bouchelle  
Title: Catheter and method of making a catheter

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This document is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed April 7, 2006 (hereinafter, "the Office Action") relating to the above-referenced application having a 3 month period for response ending July 7, 2006. This response is being timely filed.

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 07 2006

PTO/SB/97 (09-04)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

## Certificate of Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office

on July 7, 2006

Date

*Lorraine T. Kowalchuk*

Signature

Lorraine T. Kowalchuk

Typed or printed name of person signing Certificate

201-847-6455

Registration Number, if applicable

Telephone Number

Item being facsimile transmitted:

Response to Non-Final Office Action mailed 4/7/06 (7 pages) (Serial No. 10/790,275)

Note: Each paper must have its own certificate of transmission, or this certificate must identify each submitted paper.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.8. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1.8 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2